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## Opinions about Banking and Investment

**OBJECTIVE:** Get people talking about banking and investment issues.

**TIME:** 10 minutes

**MATERIALS:**

A copy of the handout for the leader

3 Sheets of flipchart paper: one labeled “Strongly Disagree,” another “Strongly Agree,” and another “Undecided.”

**NOTE TO TRAINER:**

This activity works very well for large groups, even up to 100 people! Prepare the classroom by marking one side of the room as strongly agree, the other side as strongly disagree, and the center of the room as undecided by taping up the flipchart pages accordingly.

**ACTIVITY:**

Let the class know that you will be calling out common statements about banking and investment. As each statement is called out, ask participants to decide how they feel about the statement: Do they agree, disagree or don’t know? Ask them to show their response by moving to the corresponding section of the room. Now, ask people in each group to explain why they agree or disagree with the statement. Make sure to ask people in the center, too. Their responses are usually equally thoughtful. Go through each statement using the same methodology.

When couples and families are in the class, encourage family members to freely go where they want and to note respectfully where their partner or family members go. Suggest that they take time soon at home to share thoughts, memories, and feelings together on these statements.

**GROUP DISCUSSION:**

Were you surprised by the class opinions?

Were different family members in different places?

## HANDOUT: Opinions about Banking and Investment

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STATEMENT	STRONGLY AGREE	UNDECIDED	STRONGLY DISAGREE
Banks are a safe place to keep my money.			
Banks offer a good return on my investment.			
The higher the return on my investment, the higher the risk of the investment.			
Banks offer financial products that are useful to me.			
When I want a loan, I go to a bank.			
Money in a bank loses money.			
When I need to cash a check, I go to a bank.			
When I need to send money to family and friends in another country, I go to a bank.			

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